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## Mike Mesol and Jay Remenick Honored by American Legion

by Randy Crenwelge

Each year Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 honors a police officer and firefighter for his or her public safety services to the Greenbelt community. The officers and members of the post take pride in sponsoring the 2004 Greenbelt Police Officer of the Year and the 2004 Greenbelt Fireman of the Year. The post recognizes the contributions to public safety by the police officers of the Greenbelt Police Department and firemen of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad. The post held its 16th Annual Public Safety Officer Awards Banquet on Friday, October 29 at the post home.

### Officer of the Year

Master Police Officer Michael A. Mesol received this year's Po-

lice Officer of the Year Award. He is an 11-year veteran of the Greenbelt Police Department, having joined the department in October 1993. Mesol is a narcotics investigator assigned to the Maryland State Police/Prince George's/Montgomery County Initiative under the umbrella of the Federal High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area. The task force is comprised of state troopers, officers from the University of Maryland campus police and the Greenbelt Police Department.

Mesol was nominated by Corporal Gordon Pracht. Pracht noted that Mesol is an invaluable resource to the police department by helping officers at every stage of a narcotics investigation. He is never too busy

with his own work with the task force to assist other officers in developing sound drug cases. In so doing, he mentors members of the department with all facets of an investigation, from identifying the many drugs the police officers encounter on the street, to assisting with the application of search warrants, to establishing probable cause for arrest and ultimately to following through with the prosecution of the offenders.

Mesol's willingness to make himself available at all hours of the day to help with the police cases has led to many search warrants and arrests not only in Greenbelt but regionally as well.

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## Assistant Editor Devoted To Work of News Review

by Judy Bell

*One of a series of occasional interviews with News Review staff.*

Barbara Likowski, assistant editor of the Greenbelt News Review, has worked on newspapers ever since she was in junior high school. She emphatically states, "I love it!" All through high school – where her father was advisor to the school newspaper – and on through college she worked on school newspapers. In college "I was assigned to men's fashions and I knew nothing about it," she quipped.

Likowski arrived in Greenbelt in 1966 with her husband and two young children. She couldn't leave the children, so she satisfied her love for newspaper work when she began volunteering for evening proofreading at the News Review around 1971. "Back then we did proofreading in the neighborhood, usually at Editor Mary Granofsky's house, with Al and Elaine Skolnik and six or eight other people."

Likowski recalled a time when she was feeling "exuberant" and accidentally "blew" a lot of the working papers around. "One article was found years later behind a radiator," she said, sharing her memory with a laugh.

Likowski reminisced that she did proofing for two or three years and then went on to do "everything under the sun." Elaine Skolnik commented that "Barbara has always stepped in. We did makeup together and I was dependent on her. I don't know what I would have done without her after Al died."

Likowski gradually began writing, covering council meetings and worksessions. "I learned from Al Skolnik," she remarked. He critiqued her first story and told her, "That's minutes." After major revisions

See **LIKOWSKI**, page 6

## Schools Celebrate Education Week

by Mary Moien

Greenbelt area schools will celebrate American Education Week November 14 through 20. This year's theme is "Celebrating the American Dream." Schools throughout the country will recognize the educators, office staff, cafeteria workers, teachers' aides, school bus drivers and other education support personnel. The News Review will highlight teachers at local schools beginning in this issue.

As of press time, most schools had announced their plans for the week.

### Greenbelt Elementary

Parents, other relatives and the community are invited to visit Greenbelt Elementary School on Wednesday, November 17 from 9:15 a.m. to 3:25 p.m. Everyone will be asked to sign in and show a photo ID. Other activities are also planned for the week. All students at Greenbelt Elementary will write an essay about the importance of education and some will be read during morning announcements. Each class will decorate their classroom door. The school will play "Guess the Educator." Clues about various teachers will be read with morning announcements and the students will attempt to guess who the educators are. Tuesday will be School Colors Day and everyone is encouraged to wear their Greenbelt Elementary T-shirts. On Tuesday and Thursday various students will read books given them by Reading Is Fundamental. The week ends with College Spirit Day on Friday. To promote higher education, staff and students can wear their favorite college sweatshirt or other clothing.

### Springhill Lake

Springhill Lake Elementary will

also celebrate American Education Week by having an open house for parents and others on Wednesday, November 17. On Thursday, there will be an activity involving the Great American Smoke Out and later in the month, the Washington Perform-

ing Arts Society will visit the school.

### GMS/ERHS

Both Eleanor Roosevelt High School and Greenbelt Middle School will welcome parents to an all day open-house on Wednesday.

## Two Local Teachers Are Highlighted for their Work

by Jim Lara

With November 15 to 19 known as American Education Week, the News Review took the opportunity to interview two teachers from Greenbelt Elementary School, recognizing them for their work. The interviews were arranged by David Lange, a volunteer coordinator at the school.

### Manfredi

David Manfredi teaches physical education at Greenbelt Elementary and has done so for the past eight years. He grew up in western Pennsylvania and later attended West Virginia University where he received his undergraduate and graduate degrees in education. A recruiter for Prince George's County schools interviewed Manfredi for a teaching position at Greenbelt Elementary.

It was an easy choice for Manfredi, who felt the school offered the right facilities for him to teach physical education. Just out of college, Manfredi wanted to teach elementary school children, to help them start building the fundamentals to serve them throughout their lives. He teaches 10 different classes from kindergarten to the sixth grade.



David Manfredi

As a P.E. teacher Manfredi tries to develop habits for children to start being physically active and to use their motor skills for hand-eye coordination and foot movement. "Most of the students are always excited to be in my class which makes it easier for them to learn," said Manfredi. For him, the tough part is trying to teach everything in a short amount of time since classes are only 20 to 30 minutes long.

### Kendall

Deborah Kendall is a first-grade teacher who has taught at Greenbelt Elementary for the past 13 years. She became interested in teaching as a PTA member when she saw the interaction between teachers and students. Kendall also wanted to teach children at a young age because she felt that as they enter the first grade they will be getting their first real academic experience in performing as students.

Kendall has 20 students in her class. She says they have an eagerness to learn new things like math and science. "As a teacher,



Deborah Kendall

See **TEACHERS**, page 6

## Repairs Delayed at Middle School; ERHS at Status Quo

by Mary Moien

News about Greenbelt students at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) and the delay of renovations at Greenbelt Middle School were two major topics at the September 28 Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) meeting. Lori Morris, Education Liaison in County Councilmember Doug Peters' office, was the featured speaker. School board member Jose Morales, scheduled to speak, was not able to attend the meeting.

### ERHS

Morris presented information on ERHS and other overcrowded schools in her capacity as education liaison for Peters. In summary, Greenbelt students will continue to go to ERHS and special programs will continue. Morris stated that Greenbelt's district – District 4 – has some of the worst high school overcrowding in the county and will get even more crowded.

"The children are coming," she

stated, but it is not clear how many. There is an estimated shortfall of 4,000 to 7,000 seats in high schools by the 2006-07 school year. That peak is only expected to last for a few years.

ERHS had been slated for an addition. Now this is not going to happen, as the popularity of very large high schools is waning. ERHS already has five or six lunch shifts to handle the number of students currently there.

Because the county council wants smaller schools, it is building a new regional high school and placing additions at smaller high schools. In exchange for losing the ERHS addition, Morris indicated that Peters was able to guarantee in the FY 2004-2005 county council appropriations that Greenbelt high school students would not be placed in schools other than ERHS.

See **ACE MEETING**, page 12

## What Goes On

### Saturday, November 13

9 a.m. to noon, Donation Drop-off, parking lot between city offices and Community Center

### Monday, November 15 – America Recycles Day

8 p.m., Council Worksession, Proposal to Classify Non-classified positions, Municipal Building (live on Channel 71)

### Wednesday, November 17

7:30 p.m., Council Worksession, NASA/GSFC (stakeholder), Community Center

8 p.m., Open House on Bi-county Transitway proposed by Md. Dept. of Transportation, College Park City Hall

### Thursday, November 18

7:30 p.m., Greenbelt Homes, Inc., Board Meeting, Boardroom



# Letters

## THANKS

On election day I was the Green Party candidate for Congress in the 5th District. I would like to thank all those who contributed to my total of over 3,800 votes.

Bob S. Auerbach

## "State of the Arts" Program to Be Held

On Saturday, November 13 the Prince George's Arts Alliance will present "A Day for the Arts in Prince George's County" at the Hyattsville Municipal Building at 4310 Gallatin Street. The event will assemble the arts community and its supporters in a day of sharing "the state of the arts in the county." Information about current resources that are available and shared visions for future developments will be presented.

The program will begin with tours of the Gateway Arts District in the morning, for which pre-registration is required. From 1 to 3 p.m. there will be a panel discussion with featured speakers addressing "The State of the Arts in Prince Georges's County." From 3 to 4 p.m. there will be a resource roundtable, "Accelerating the Arts," which will provide helpful information for artists, performers and arts educators. The day will close with a reception at Franklin's Restaurant. A survey will be included for feedback about perceptions of the state of the arts and for follow-up advocacy and arts-related initiatives.

For further information and to register for the Gateway tours call 301-699-2232. The Prince George's Arts Alliance is seeking attendance by Greenbelt visual artists, performing artists, literary artists and arts educators.

## Autumn Collage Children's Program

The Old Parish House in College Park will be the site for a free autumn-theme arts drop-in activity for children to be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, November 14. The arts program, led by Aaron Springer, will have children making collages using leaves, pods and other found objects. Intended for children ages 3 to 8, participants must be accompanied by an adult. Each month a unique art project is highlighted. For details call 301-927-3013.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

Week of Nov. 12

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Friday  
\*5:00, 7:30, 9:55

Saturday  
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# City's Recycling Program Marked in Proclamation

by Barbara Hopkins

Greenbelt Mayor Judith F. Davis fulfilled a request from the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) by issuing a proclamation marking Monday, November 15 as America Recycles Day in Greenbelt. (Not that she wouldn't have.) Davis read the proclamation at the regular meeting of the Greenbelt City Council on Monday, November 8. This will be the eighth annual celebration of America Recycles Day throughout the country. The day is set aside "in recognition of the importance of recycling." The theme of the day this year is "It All Comes Back To You."

In the proclamation, residents are encouraged "to increase recycling and purchasing of recycled products as a powerful way to make a difference in our environment, to preserve our resources, and to contribute to the economic well-being of our country." The use of recycled products is repeated several times in the proclamation, since without this vital step "recycling" is just a matter of saving papers, cans, and bottles.

Neal Barnett, chair of the Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee, was at the meeting to receive the proclamation on behalf of the committee. Davis also expressed appreciation and thanks to Cindy Murray of the city's Public Works Department for her efforts in the recycling program.

### Bin Contest

Barnett announced that a team would be out during the week of November 15 to observe recycling bins for the city's annual

recycling bin awards. Barnett said the team would be looking for "the perfect recycling bin," one where all the rules of recycling are followed explicitly. Winners in each of the city's recycling routes will be awarded a new recycling bin with a label announcing them as a "Winner 2004."

### Greenbelt Programs

The Greenbelt proclamation notes that the United States generates nearly 230 million tons of municipal solid waste or more than 4.5 pounds per person per day. It says that the national rate for recycling is 28 percent. It gives Greenbelt's rate as 43 percent and suggests that even more can be done in "waste reduction, composting, the reuse of products and materials, and 'closing the loop' by purchasing recycled products and packaging."

In Greenbelt recycling programs include curbside collection in residential neighborhoods, two recycling centers, electronics recycling, tree lumber recycling and yard waste composting. According to city staff, recycled paper is used in all the city's copying machines. The city letterhead also uses recycled paper.

### Electronic Recycling

In concluding the presentation, Davis announced that in the electronic recycling day held two weeks previously the city had collected 9,620 pounds of electronic equipment, making it the largest collection to date. In addition, 17 residents traded in their old, toxic mercury thermometers for digital ones.

## More Ways to Recycle

While most Americans are helping by separating their trash, there are many more steps to be taken for cleaner, healthier communities. Buy recycled products. That way an economic incentive is created for recyclable materials to be collected, manufactured and marketed as new products; purchase durable, long-lasting goods; reuse items by repairing them, donating them to charity and community groups or selling them to further reduce waste; use a product more than once, either for the same purpose or for a different purpose. Reusing is

even better than recycling because the item does not need to be reprocessed before it can be used again. Reduce packaging by bulking and buying concentrated products when possible. Another form of recycling is composting. Composting is the controlled biological decomposition of organic matter, such as food and yard wastes, into humus, a soil-like material. Composting is nature's way of recycling organic wastes into new soil for use in landscaping, vegetable and flower gardens.

## On Screen

# Lessons on the Road

In "The Motorcycle Diaries," now at Old Greenbelt Theatre, two Argentine friends in their 20s take a break from their medical education in 1952 to ride a vintage motorcycle across South America. Light on pesos, hit by twists in the road, will the pair make it across the Andes, much less to Venezuela? Pensive Ernesto (the revolutionary "Che" Guevara in later life) keeps track of trastornos (reverses) and more in a diary; burly, quick-tongued Alberto is intent on amorous adventures.

Bringing the roles home are Gael Garcia Bernal and Rodrigo de la Serna (whose Alberto often speaks very freely); director Walter Salles frames the trek's

flow and what the pair learn with a sure hand that battens on real textures. (Robert Redford is executive producer.)

Key moments come in remote places, e.g. Chile's Temuco, on the Atacama desert, in the San Pablo Leper Colony on the Amazon. Writes Ernesto, "I want to be useful, somehow . . . So much injustice . . ."


Don't miss this moving film – no pun intended. It gains timelessness from the recent election north of the border on Nov. 2. To paraphrase one of our gringo political cries, "It's about values, stupid." But whose values? Time for us to ask searching questions. In Spanish, with subtitles. PG, 126 minutes.

– Eli Flam

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA BOARD MEETING FOR NOVEMBER 18, 2004

7:00 PM EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Minutes – October 21, 2004
- Member Complaint Issues

7:30 PM REGULAR SESSION

KEY AGENDA ITEMS:

- Proposed Fence Installatoin – 56C Crescent
- Exception for Serviceside Shed – 38G Ridge Road
- Directions to Yard Line Committee
- Rules Change – Special Conditions for Maintenance Responsibilities
- Rules Change – Openness of Fences
- Proposed 2005 Budget
- Tree Maintenance Contract – 2nd Reading
- Heating Satisfaction Survey Results

Regular board meetings are open to members.

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# Community Events

## Buying Peripherals? GIAC Offers Class

Computers are only half the fun without the right peripherals. The Greenbelt Internet Access Cooperative's (GIAC) Mary Camp will explain what to look for when buying printers, scanners and digital cameras in "How to Buy Computer Peripherals." This free lecture will be from 7 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, November 17 in the Senior Classroom at the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. A question and answer period will follow. For further information call GIAC voice mail at 301-419-8044. Registration is unnecessary but to reserve a copy of the handouts call GIAC by Monday, November 15. The class is open to all.

## At the Library

The Greenbelt Library children's programs are taking a winter break. Regular storytime programs will resume on Tuesday, January 4. Children's Book Week will be celebrated November 15 to 21 at all county libraries. Join the celebration by visiting the Greenbelt Library with a child. Books are available in many languages and offer a world of discovery to children of all ages. Make visiting the library a habit and share the joy of reading.

### Adult Programs

Saturday, November 13, 10:30 a.m., Poetry Plus with a spiritual theme. Wednesday, November 17, 2 p.m., Book discussion, Chinua Achebe's "Things Fall Apart."

## New Simplicity Circle To Start Nov. 14

A voluntary simplicity discussion circle will start in Greenbelt, members are sought. The Sunday meetings will be from 4 to 6 p.m. in a participant's home and the first meeting will be on Sunday, November 14 in University Square Apartments. The group will meet every Sunday into early January, taking some time off around the holidays.

All participants need to obtain the discussion guidebook and read chapter one prior to the first meeting. A mentor will be present at the first meeting to guide the group through the "peer facilitated" process.

If interested in joining this circle, contact Lore Rosenthal, Simplicity Matters Earth Institute at SimplicityGrpsMD@aol.com or 301-317-9821 to get a discussion guidebook before the meeting. For more information about the discussion circles visit <http://www.simplicity-matters.org/faq.htm> or <http://www.nwei.org/pages/simplicity.html>.

## Communication Workshop Offered

"How to Communicate Effectively with Health Care Professionals" is the title of a workshop presented by the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program. The workshop will take place at the Greenbelt Community Center, Room 112, on Thursday, November 18 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There is a fee and attendance is limited. Reservations are required and may be made by calling Belicia Swinson at 240-542-2036. Limited free respite care is available.

## Community Center Blood Drive Friday

The next blood drive in Greenbelt, sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department and the American Red Cross, will be held at the Greenbelt Community Center on Friday, November 12 from noon to 6 p.m. The continuing need for blood makes it important that there be a large turnout. Those who have not been contacted by the Red Cross should call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212 to make an appointment. As was the case in the last blood drive, walk-ins will be accepted at the end of each hour to fill in for appointees who fail to appear.

## Fun Run to Honor Wrights' Flight

The Prince George's Running Club's Greenbelt Wright Stuff 5K Fun Run & Walk will be held Saturday, December 4 at 8 a.m. at the Greenbelt Youth Center. The race celebrates the milestone of the 101st anniversary of the Wright Brothers' first powered flight. The five kilometer course (3.1 miles), which includes two loops around Greenbelt Lake, is certified by USA Track & Field, the regulating body for running sports. There is a pre-registration fee, which is lower if purchased ahead of time. Race registration is limited to the first 200 entries received.

All registrants receive long-sleeved T-shirts and post-race refreshments. Certificates will be given to the top three finishers in each 10-year age group. All runners will also be eligible to receive random merchandise prizes. For an entry form, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Austin Conaty, 8150 Lakecrest Drive #710, Greenbelt, MD 20770. Call 301-982-9246 or visit the website, [www.pgrc.org](http://www.pgrc.org), for more information and a PDF downloadable registration form. There is also at this website a link for online registration through [active.com](http://active.com). Now in its 21st year, the Prince George's Running Club, an affiliate of the Road Runners Club of America, sponsors races, training and fun runs in Prince George's County.



## Thanksgiving Choir Practice Begins

The Greenbelt Combined Choir is starting practice for its popular Thanksgiving performance. Choir Director Jean Cook is seeking old and new members for this once-a-year performance. Members of other choirs and those who just love to sing are welcome to participate. The performance will be held on Wednesday, November 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Church. There will be two rehearsals – Thursday, November 18 and Monday, November 22, both at 7:30 p.m. at the church. Call Cook at 301-345-2597 for details and to sign up.

## Star Party

Weather permitting, the Greenbelt Astronomy Club will host a star party on Saturday, November 13. This event is free and open to the public. It will take place at Wolfe Field on Northway extended. The club and its members will have telescopes available to share views of celestial objects. Early in the evening, some summer constellations will be visible in the western sky; as the evening progresses, the constellations of winter will fill the sky. Good viewing for this event should be possible by 6:30 p.m. In the event of precipitation or hopelessly cloudy skies at the time of this event, the star party will be cancelled without further notice.

## Explorations Visits Hungary, Vienna

The Explorations Unlimited program on Friday, November 12 will feature two videos: "Hungary, Land of Promise" and "Super City Vienna."

### Canals of England

Come explore the English canals with Lawrence Suid during Explorations Unlimited on Friday, November 19. Once used for commerce, the 2,500 miles of canals that crisscross England now provide recreation for people seeking beauty and peaceful relaxation. Most of these canals became derelict by the early 20th century as a result of competition from the railroads. Suid will provide a brief history of the English canal system, an account of how the waterways were restored and then a "how to do" description of making a cruise. Ultimately, cruising the canals is like becoming part of an impressionist painting. On a more mundane level, it is like backpacking but with an always available bathroom. The lecture will be illustrated with photographs and video tape.

Explorations Unlimited is a speaker series held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. The presentations will be held in the Senior Classroom. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. Call 301-397-2208 for information.

## ACE Writing Contest

The ACE Reading Club will host its third annual Youth Writing Contest. The ACE Reading Club is a community-based reading program originally established through a grant acquired by the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education and now funded by the City of Greenbelt. Students in grades 6 through 12 who live in or attend school in Greenbelt are eligible to enter the writing contest which focuses on poetry and short fiction. The theme for this year's contest is "New Beginnings." There are two divisions: Junior (grades 6-8) and Senior (grades 9-12). Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three selections in each division. Entries are due by 4:30 p.m. February 28 and should be mailed to ACE Reading Club, Greenbelt CARES, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770. There is no fee to enter the contest. Questions can be directed to Liz Murray, coordinator of the ACE Reading Club, at 301-345-6660 or send an email to [acereadingclub@ci.greenbelt.md.us](mailto:acereadingclub@ci.greenbelt.md.us).

## Legion Supports Education Week

Greenbelt Unit #136 American Legion Auxiliary has announced plans for participation in the observance of American Education Week, November 14 to 20. This year's theme, "Celebrating the American Dream," reflects years of concerned interest by the American Legion family and other professional groups. Greenbelt Unit #136 will express thanks to the teachers of local schools by delivering baskets of apples and a poem of appreciation, thank you cards with McDonald's gift certificates in them and bookmarks encouraging the students to read. Throughout the year publications encouraging patriotism, civic pride and scholarships will be distributed to the schools and the public library.

Greenbelt Union #136 urges all citizens of Greenbelt to support local schools, to reaffirm their commitment to improving and supporting education at all levels and to translate this commitment into action by visiting Greenbelt schools during American Education Week.

## GAIL Sponsors Workshop on Wills

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program (GAIL) presents "Wills are Not for Seniors Only." This lecture will take place at Green Ridge House, 22 Ridge Road on Tuesday, November 16 from 11 a.m. to noon. The speaker is Lynn Skerpon, Register of Wills for Prince George's County. To attend, reserve a place by calling Belicia Swinson at 240-542-2036.

## Democrats "Have Only Just Begun"

The Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club will meet on Friday, November 19 at 7:30 p.m. (note the new time) in the Terrace Room of the Greenbriar Community Building. "We're going to review local, state and national election results and discuss plans for the future," said Club President Bill Hunt. "We were very successful in Greenbelt, in the 22nd Legislative District, in the county and in the state. We had a very heavy turnout of voters, with the Kerry/Edwards ticket receiving 80 percent of the vote in Greenbelt. Senator Mikulski and Congressman Hoyer received over 80 percent of the vote here. Those are great numbers," Hunt added. This is an important meeting for members, friends and neighbors interested in getting involved in strengthening the Democratic Party.

"We are ready to roll up our sleeves and get down to work as we build for the critical 2006 election. We have only just begun," Hunt said. Call 301-982-0111 for information. A social hour with refreshments will follow. Members are reminded to bring a dessert or snack to share. Coffee, tea and soft drinks will be provided.

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**Greenbelt Community Church**  
**NOV. 13, 2004**  
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# Obituaries

## James A. Hanna

James A. Hanna, 74, of 102 Greenhill Road, died suddenly on October 19, 2004.



Mr. Hanna was born in Beltsville and moved to Greenbelt in 1951 when he married Lorene Nelson, a member of one of Greenbelt's pioneer families. They were married at Greenbelt Community Church.

The couple moved to 9M Parkway and Mr. Hanna went off to serve his country in the U.S. Navy. He served on the U.S.S. Casa Grande from 1951 to 1955. Later he worked at the Greenbelt Branch of the U.S. Postal Service.

From 1952 to 1967 the Hannas lived at several GHI addresses: 69-K, 46-A and 71-A Ridge Road. They finally settled in the Lakewood community. The couple raised five children here.

Mr. Hanna was involved in the Boy Scouts of America, the Greenbelt Community Church, the Greenbelt Lutheran Church and many environmental organizations.

He retired from the USPS in 1993, became involved with Chesapeake Church in Huntingtown, Md., and quickly undertook an important role in the development of his five grandchildren. He spent his last years cherishing his friends and family, becoming closer to them. He will be remembered as one who spoke his mind and stayed firm to his faith, his family, his principles and his beliefs.

Mr. Hanna is survived by his wife Lorene, his children Ruth, Sarah, Clifford, Maria and Lloyd and his grandchildren Sakima, Laura, Chanae, Grant and Katie.

A memorial service was held at the Greenbelt Community Church where friends and family gathered to celebrate his life.

## Mishkan Torah Hosts Book Fair

A book fair will be held at Mishkan Torah, 10 Ridge Road, on Sunday, November 14 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be books for children and adults relating to Jewish history, Jewish holidays, Judaic religious observations and rituals and Middle East politics. Call 301-614-0691 or the Mishkan Torah office at 301-474-4223 for further information. Proceeds of the book fair will benefit the Karp Family School at Mishkan Torah. The book fair is open to the public.



## NAMI Workshop

The Prince George's County chapter of NAMI (National Association for the Mentally Ill) will hold a workshop on November 18 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway.

Bette Stewart of the Evidence Based Practice Center at the University of Maryland School of Medicine will speak on Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) in Prince George's County. ACT is a proven program for reaching treatment-resistant persons with mental illness, involving a policy of "housing first" and assertive outreach to homeless persons.

The workshop is free and refreshments will be served. For more information, call 301-277-8844.



Our sympathy to Lorene Hanna and family on the death of her husband James Hanna, who died on October 19, 2004.

Condolences to Robbie Tripe, member of the city's Public Works Horticulture Crew, on the death of his mother last weekend.

Our sympathy to Lenny Wertz, scoutmaster of BSA Troop 746, on the death of his grandmother, Betty Wertz Schroder. She was buried November 10, 2004, in Pennsylvania.

Christian Manglitz, a graduate of Saint Anselm's Abbey School in Washington, D.C., is the recipient of a Rush Rhees scholarship at the University of Rochester. Manglitz, an entering freshman and the son of Christopher and Katalin Manglitz, is a resident of Greenbelt. This scholarship is given to high-ability students who score at least 1350 on the SAT or a composite of 31 or better on the ACT tests.

Former News Review staffer Bernice Kastner is recovering from recent surgery. Friends may write to her at 1400 East Ave., #608, Rochester, NY 14610. Get well soon, Bernice.

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## Greenbelt Students Listed in Who's Who

"Who's Who," published by Educational Communications, Inc., Austin, Texas, is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high-achieving high school students. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities.

Traditionally, 97 percent of "Who's Who" students are college bound. They also compete for \$200,000 in scholarship awards and participate in the publication's Annual Survey of High Achievers, an annual opinion poll of teen attitudes.

The following students from the Greenbelt area are recognized in the 2003-2004 edition of "Who's Who Among American High School Students" Nadia Ajavon, Olufemi Akinwande,

Chamika Bailey, Brittany Barnett, Millicent Bonsu, Christina Chiddo, Jennifer D. Cox, Phuong T. Do, Mary Fominaya, Hina Gir, J. Brandon Hicks, Rugiatu Jalloh, Xiao Juan Lin, Christopher Martin, Misha J. McKoy, Alice C. Murphy, Learie Nelson, Natalyn C. Obey, Diana Omoyeni, Jessica J. Rice, Melissa E. Vaaltyn, Claudia T. B. White and Jing Zhang.

Also recognized were Yemi Akinrimisi, Camesha Amos, Raksha Bangalore, Le Asia V. Blackmon, Robert I. Boyce, Christina Coleman, Alimou Diaby, Marc Edwards, Ryan A. Forlu, Dominique Gorham, Cory Holland, Larry Lagoke, Andrew Mangum, Lisa McBride, Briana McNeill, Racheal L. Myers, Thuan A. Nguyen, Abdulrazaq Ohieku, Nailah Reid, Srithanya Sivanathakuru, Shalay Denise Ward, Brittany Y. Watson and Amali Wijeweera.

Baha'i Faith

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Greenbelt Baha'i Community

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I could not make you stay.  
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# Cathy Knepper Will Sign New Book on Letters to Roosevelt

by Sandra Lange

The Greenbelt Museum will host a talk and book signing by Dr. Cathy Knepper on Tuesday, November 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room at the Greenbelt Community Center. Knepper will discuss her just-published book, "Dear Mrs. Roosevelt: Letters to Eleanor Roosevelt Through the Depression and the War."

Knepper is the author of "Greenbelt, Maryland: A Living Legacy of the New Deal" published in 2001. When she visited Roosevelt's home and library in Hyde Park, N.Y., about 10 years ago looking for material on Greenbelt, Knepper became fascinated with all of the correspondence written to Mrs. Roosevelt. Knepper also realized that while many books were written about Mrs. Roosevelt, no one had written about the thousands of letters addressed to her which she and her staff answered every day.

Knepper said she was struck by the horrific times people lived through during the Depression. "There was no money. People were literally starving," she commented. "People today have no concept of what it was like back then," she continued.

Many of the letters were from American Jews pleading for assistance for their families trapped in

Europe and later killed by the Nazis. Knepper stated that she found letters that indicated how frustrated Mrs. Roosevelt felt because she was unable to help these families. The most she could do was refer them to people in the State Department.

With over two million letters in the Hyde Park files, Knepper selected 150 for her book. She divided the book into four sections: The Great Depression, The New Deal, World War II and The Homefront. She noted that it was clear that a huge number of letters were personally answered by the First Lady. Knepper was amazed not only by the volume of letters that Mrs. Roosevelt wrote but also by the fact that she was not affected by wealth or status. Many letter writers were ordinary people or, as Knepper stated, "plain old Joes."

Following the talk, Knepper will sign copies of her book for purchasers. Refreshments will be served beginning at 7 p.m. Both the new book and Knepper's first book are on sale at the Greenbelt Museum gift shop, 10-B Crescent Road. The shop is open every Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m. The books will also be available prior to the Christmas holidays at the Community Center Craft Fair.

# Public Is Invited to Attend Bi-County Transitway Meeting

The public is invited to attend a series of open houses to learn about the Bi-County Transitway proposed by the Maryland Transit Administration (MTA), Maryland Department of Transportation. The closest meeting to Greenbelt will be on Wednesday, November 17 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the College Park City Hall, Municipal Center Council Chambers, located at 4500 Knox Road, College Park.

The Bi-County Transitway is under consideration to provide a rapid transit connection along a 14-mile corridor between Bethesda and New Carrollton. It would provide a link to the Metrorail Red, Green and Orange lines and "improved connections to central business districts and

key activity centers," according to Robert L. Smith, administrator of the MTA.

The purpose of the meetings is to present proposed alternatives to be carried forward into detailed study during a phase called Definition of Alternatives. There will be maps and informational displays and MTA representatives will be available to answer questions and take comments about the project. Information on the project is also available online at [www.bi-countytransitway.com](http://www.bi-countytransitway.com).

The location is served by Metrobus 83 and 86 and the College Park Metro Station is 1.5 miles. The site is accessible to persons with disabilities.

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# City Information

## Meetings for November 15-19

**Monday, November 15, 8:00pm, City Council Work Session re: Proposal to Classify Non-Classified Positions, Municipal Building (live on Channel 71).**

**Wednesday, November 17, 7:30pm, City Council Work Session re: NASA/GSFC (stakeholder), Community Center.**

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## RECYCLE RIGHT CONTEST "WIN WITH YOUR BIN!"

You can win prizes just by properly preparing your recycling bin during the week of November 15<sup>th</sup>. Five winners will be selected – one winner from each of the four city collection routes and one winner from a contractual collection route within the city. Just place your properly prepared recyclables out for collection on your regular day.



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The average American generates nearly 1,600 pounds of trash each year, creating more than 230 million tons of waste annually in the United States. We all need to do our part and keep up our recycling efforts. It takes far less energy to recycle aluminum, steel, plastic, glass and paper than to make them from raw materials. Recycling also generates a lot less air and water pollution.

Be sure to visit the **RECYCLING Display** at the Community Center during the month of November and learn more about **Recycling in Greenbelt**. Enter the **America Recycles 2004 Contest** online at [www.americarecyclesday.org](http://www.americarecyclesday.org).

By pledging to recycle and to buy recycled content products you will be eligible to win national prizes:

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## DONATION DROP-OFF

**Saturday,  
November 13th  
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.  
Parking lot between  
the City Office and the  
Community Ctr.**

*The American Rescue Workers accepts donations of usable Household Goods (clothing, furniture, small appliances, curtains, towels, bedding, books, puzzles and toys.)*

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## REFUSE/RECYCLING COLLECTION IN INCLEMENT WEATHER

Walkways to your refuse containers and recycling bins must be kept clear of snow and ice in order for the collectors to provide service to your home. If you are unable to keep your walkway clear, place your refuse container and recycling bin at the curb for collection.

GHI residents may place containers and bins by their parking lot.

## GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS

**CHANNEL 71  
MUNICIPAL ACCESS  
301-474-8000:**

**Monday, November 15 at 8:00pm: City Council Work Session "live" Tuesday & Thursday, November 16 & 18: 10am & 6pm "Ask the Expert," 6:30pm "ACE Reading Club-Greenbelt Elementary," 7pm "Greenbelt Museum Lecture: Less is More."**

**PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE):  
301-507-6581:**

**Wednesday & Friday, November 17 & 19: 7:00pm "Future View," 7:30pm "GAC: Idyls of the Queen," 8:15pm "Prince George's Little Theater presents 'Lady Windermere's Fan.'"**



## LIKOWSKI continued from page 1

Likowski got a “good story” comment from Skolnik. “Half of Greenbelt has written [for the News Review] at one time or another,” she quipped.

In the early years Likowski was one of several staff who proofed the final pages of the News Review at Allen Printing in Hyattsville, where typesetting was done. When Allen’s closed, Chesapeake Printing [now Southern Maryland Printing] began printing the paper using a computerized version. Likowski still goes to the pre-print contractor’s house, Lynn Eppard, to have one last look at the paper before it is emailed to the printer by way of the internet on Thursday morning.

On any given day Likowski can be found working at the News Review office, opening mail, proofing, editing, making phone calls, writing obituaries or performing any one of the myriad tasks that need to be done to get the paper out every week. Count on seeing her in the office in the wee hours of Wednesday morning, helping to get the first draft of the week’s paper completed.

She downplays her role, saying, “It gets me out of the house,” and then adds, “It has been a happy time. It’s been rewarding and I’ve learned an aw-

ful lot.”

Likowski grew up in Plymouth, a small town in north-eastern Pennsylvania. She attended Bucknell University through Wilkes College in Wilkes-Barre. “GIs were there,” having returned from World War II and going to school on the GI bill, she said. It was there that she met her late husband, Julius. “He lived on the other side of the river,” she said.

Scranton’s Big Sisters (“Biggies”) hired Likowski for her first job, where she “learned a lot,” she states. During that time she wrote a Sunday column about the “Biggies” for the Scranton paper. The Likowskis came to Maryland in 1953 and resided in Mt. Rainier until 1966 when they moved to Greenbelt. Likowski began substitute teaching “early on.” When Greenbelt Elementary School’s afterschool program began, she joined the effort and stayed with it for 10 years, “from beginning to end,” when the funding ceased.

Mary Lou Williamson, editor of the News Review, commented, “Barbara has become an institution within an institution. She’s always in the office – whether it’s reading the mail, writing obituaries or tending to the myriad small problems that need solutions each week.”

### City Notes

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program has been awarded a three-year HUD grant in the amount of \$156,115 to fund a full time Service Coordinator at Green Ridge House. The Service Coordinator will work under the supervision of the Community Resource Advocate to provide information and referral and case management services to the residents of Green Ridge House and Greenbelt residents on the waiting list.

#### Planning/Development

A number of bicyclists and skateboarders were requested by different Code Enforcement staff members more than once to discontinue riding in the Roosevelt Center. Municipal infractions will be forthcoming.

Animal Control removed a bird from a residence, trapped and relocated an opossum from a resident’s yard and three kittens have been viewed for adoption; only one remains in custody.

Planning staff sent in a revision for the observatory county permit, Martin’s Crosswinds patio follow-up and bas-relief grant work.

Staff responded to the report of a fatal accident at Beltway Plaza, possibly due to unsafe working conditions – when a construction worker fell from the roof and was killed.

**Public Works**

The streets crew painted crosswalks and stop lines on Ridge Road and shoulder lines on Crescent Road.

Vehicle mechanics replaced the water pump, belts and hoses on a Blazer and marked the new Code Enforcement vehicle with city logos.

The parks crew began installation of a flagstone patio along the lake shore at Buddy Attick Park.

**Recreation Dept.**

At the Youth Center on Tuesday the members of GLAD program enjoyed a trip to Rocky Gorge to play miniature golf and

then visited the Patuxent Wildlife Center in Laurel. It ran at full capacity and everyone had a great time.

At the Aquatic and Fitness Center arrangements have been made with the Greenbelt Swim Team for an additional lap lane for practices due to a large number of youths registered for the programs.

### City Recounts Opposition to ICC

Mayor Judith F. Davis, on behalf of the city, recently requested a delay in the deadline for public comment on the Inter-county Connector (ICC). Although the deadline set by the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board was October 31, this date preceded by almost a month the release by the Federal Highway Administration of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) concerning the ICC. Davis asked for “fair and adequate time” for people “to communicate their views based on the facts presented in the EIS.”

Davis’ letter reiterates the city’s “long-standing and well-known” opposition to the ICC. Among the city’s reasons for concern are the following: a minimal impact in reducing traffic on the Beltway, I-95 or I-270, coupled with an increase in sprawl and a possible increase of congestion on local roads; a high price – currently up to \$3 billion with financing if GARVEE bonds are used – that would better be spent on existing road upgrades and mass transportation projects, such as the Purple Line; and devastating impacts on cultural and natural resources, including wetlands, streams, flood plains, woodlands, parklands, animal habitats and residential areas, ultimately affecting efforts to restore the Chesapeake Bay and improve the region’s air quality.

## TEACHERS continued from page 1

I try to nurture them but also allow them to be independent so they can do the assignments on their own,” said Kendall. She also says the students, even though they are young, are quite disciplined. They usually know the difference between right and wrong.

When asked how she would describe her teaching methods,

Kendall says it’s about keeping kids interested in the subject matter. “For me, it’s like an acting job where the students are my audience and it’s my responsibility to keep them focused. We have books and computers but it ultimately has to come down to me to keep their attention,” she says.

## Scouting for Food

Saturday, Nov. 13, is the pick-up day for the Boy Scouts of America’s “Scouting for Food” project. Many people received bags but some blew away in high winds. Place donations of non-perishable food items (no glass) at the front door in a bag by 9 a.m. Area scouts will collect donations and deliver the food to a local food bank. For questions call 301-530-9360.

## GIVE BLOOD in Greenbelt on Friday, Nov. 12

### Holiday Open House

At Behnke’s Beltsville, Friday, November 19, from 6 to 9 p.m. Festive goodies, holiday music, decorating ideas, unique gifts, poinsettia greenhouses and local artisans add up to an enriching holiday evening — don’t miss it! We’ll have something special in store for the little ones, too, so bring the kids!

Behnke’s Largo will host an Open House in conjunction with Poinsettia Tours on Saturday, November 20, and Potomac will hold their Holiday Open House on Sunday, November 21. Check our website for more details: [www.behnkes.com](http://www.behnkes.com)

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	Monday	Wednesday	Wed Saturday
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Rosecroft Shopping Center, Temple Hills, MD	10:15 a.m.	8:45 a.m.	6:45 p.m.
Rivertown Shopping Center (Home Depot), Oxon Hill, MD	10:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	7:00 p.m.
Mattress Discount lot across from Marlo's Furniture-Forestville, MD	10:50 a.m.	9:20 a.m.	7:25 p.m.
Greenway Shopping Center (Today's Man)-Greenbelt, MD	11:15 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	7:50 p.m.

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Rosecroft Shopping Center, Temple Hills, MD	8:45 a.m.	6:45 p.m.	1:40 p.m.
Rivertown Shopping Center (Home Depot), Oxon Hill, MD	9:00 a.m.	7:00 p.m.	1:50 p.m.
Mattress Discount lot across from Marlo's Furniture-Forestville, MD	9:20 a.m.	7:25 p.m.	2:10 p.m.
Greenway Shopping Center (Today's Man)-Greenbelt, MD	9:45 a.m.	7:50 p.m.	2:40 p.m.

#### DELAWARE PARK (Wilmington, Delaware) – Bus 1 - \$18.00 CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA – Bus – 2 - \$15.00

Clinton Park (K-Mart), Clinton, MD	Friday 6:30 p.m.
Rosecroft Shopping Center, Temple Hills, MD	6:45 p.m.
Rivertown Shopping Center (Home Depot), Oxon Hill, MD	7:00 p.m.
Mattress Discount lot across from Marlo's Furniture-Forestville, MD	7:25 p.m.
Greenway Shopping Center (Today's Man)-Greenbelt, MD	7:50 p.m.

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# POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department.  
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

## Robbery

October 29, 7:16 p.m., 7200 block Mandan Road, a pizza delivery person reported that he was making a delivery when he walked by two persons sitting on a bench. One of the two told the delivery person that, “He was going come up off that pizza tonight.” Eight to 10 others were standing in the area. The delivery person completed his delivery and was walking back to his vehicle when he was approached by the original two people. One pulled a mask over his face and demanded the victim’s pizza and money. The delivery person got into his vehicle and fled the scene. The suspects are described as two black males 16 to 18 years of age, tall with thin builds, one wearing a black hooded jacket, blue jeans and black shoes. The other was wearing a black skull cap, black T-shirt, black jacket, blue jeans and black shoes or boots.

November 1, 9:20 a.m., Greenway Center, the victims advised that they were walking to the M&T Bank to make a deposit, when they were approached by two men, one armed with a handgun. The men announced a robbery, at which time one of the victims dropped the deposit bag to the ground. One man retrieved the bag and both fled the scene in a vehicle described as a gold compact car. The suspects are described as two black males, one was 20 to 30 years of age, 5’9”, 200 pounds with a medium complexion, wearing a white and navy blue long sleeve shirt and a black skull cap and the other was wearing a black knit cap.

## Assault

October 30, 6:21 p.m., Beltway Plaza Mall, a man reported that he was involved in an altercation with a group of people over an earlier incident. Both the man and the group were armed with baseball bats. The man was allegedly struck several times with bats and suffered a laceration to his lip. The suspects fled the scene. The man was transported to the hospital for treatment.

October 31, 6:13 p.m., 19 court Ridge Road, a nonresident youth was arrested for assault. A man reported that he approached the youth regarding allegations that the youth took candy from his six-year-old daughter while she was trick or treating. The youth punched the man in the head and in the nose and fled the scene on foot. The youth was located and released to a relative pending action by the Juvenile Justice System. The man declined treatment for a bloody nose.

## Drugs

October 30, 11:57 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, a nonresident man and youth were arrested and charged with possession of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia. A resident man was arrested and charged with trespass. Police responded to a report of several persons allegedly smoking marijuana in a stairwell. Police observed the nonresident man smoking what appeared to be marijuana and saw the youth throw a cigar containing suspected marijuana to

the ground. The same man was also found to be in possession of a quantity of suspected marijuana. Investigation revealed that the resident man had been banned from the apartment complex by agents of the property. The youth was released to a guardian pending action by the Juvenile Justice System. The resident was released on citation pending trial. The nonresident was released to the department of corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

November 1, 12:02 a.m., 5700 block Cherrywood Lane, a nonresident woman was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia after police stopped a vehicle for an equipment violation. The woman could not produce any identification and located in the vehicle was paraphernalia commonly used to store marijuana. She was released on citation pending trial.

November 2, Beltway Plaza Mall, while investigating a recovered stolen vehicle, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia. He was released on citation pending trial.

November 3, 9:28 a.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, a resident and a nonresident man were arrested and charged with possession of marijuana when police stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation. Upon approaching the vehicle police detected the odor of what was believed to be marijuana. Located in the vehicle was a quantity of suspected marijuana. Both men were released to the department of corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

## Theft

October 31, in reference to a traffic stop October 12 in the 7000 block of Greenbelt Road, an arrest warrant has been obtained charging a nonresident woman with receiving/retaining a lost credit card, unlawfully receiving a credit card, credit card theft, identity fraud to avoid prosecution, displaying government identification of another, theft and obstruction and hindering.

## Trespass

October 28, 4:30 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with trespass. Police observed the man on the grounds of Springhill Lake Apartments and knew that he had been banned from the complex by agents of the property. He was released on citation pending trial.

October 30, 10:39 p.m., Beltway Plaza Mall, a resident man was arrested and charged with trespass. He had been banned from the mall by agents of the property and was observed by security officers inside the mall. He was released on citation pending trial.

## False Statement

October 29, 10:02 a.m., Eleanor Roosevelt High School, a nonresident youth was arrested and charged with false statement after falsely telling a school resource officer that he had been abducted and robbed. The youth admitted to the officer that he lied in order to hang out with his friends instead of staying at home. He was released to a parent pending action by the Juve-

nile Justice System.

## Malicious Destruction

October 29, 10:04 a.m., Eleanor Roosevelt High School, a nonresident youth was arrested for malicious destruction after he was observed ripping the screen off a classroom window at the school. He was released pending action by the school board and the Juvenile Justice System.

## Disorderly Conduct

October 31, 12:30 a.m., 7200 Hanover Drive, a resident man was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct, failure to obey a lawful order, trespass and resisting arrest. He was observed throwing money at a bartender at Willy K’s Bar and Restaurant and was asked to leave the premises by management. The man was arrested when he did not leave and resisted attempts by police to place him in custody. He was released to the department of corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

## Burglary

November 3, 5:31 p.m., unit block Crescent Road, unknown person(s) entered the residence by way of an unlocked bedroom window. Video games, video game players and accessories were taken.

## Vehicle Crimes

Five vehicles were stolen: a 1991 Mazda MPV van from Morrison and Frankfort Drives; a green 2002 Cadillac Escalade, Maryland tags 22316M from Capitol Cadillac; a silver 2001 Dodge Dakota pickup, Maryland tags 1DT462 from Beltway Plaza Mall; a 2002 Jeep Wrangler from the 7800 block Vanity Fair Drive; and a gray 1989 Honda Accord 4-door, Maryland tags MZP434 from the 6200 block Springhill Court.

Six vehicles were recovered, three by Greenbelt police with no arrests and three by other police departments with two arrests made in one of the recoveries.

Vandalism to, thefts from and attempted thefts of vehicles were reported in the following areas: 7800 block Mandan Road (four incidents), 20 court Southway, 6400 block Ivy Lane, 5700 block Greenbelt Metro Drive, 6000 block Springhill Drive, 6200 block Springhill Drive and Beltway Plaza Mall.

## Warrant Squad Nabs Suspect

A man wanted for attempted first degree murder in an October 2004 incident involving an argument in the 7800 block of Hanover Parkway that escalated into an attack with a baseball bat has been arrested by the county Sheriff’s Department.

Jarrel Featherson, age 18, and another man were arrested after they attempted to flee from sheriff’s deputies. The two were captured in Landover Hills on November 8 after a brief car and foot chase by the Sheriff’s Warrant Squad.

Featherson was arrested at the vehicle but his companion who had been driving the car ran, only to be caught after a foot chase that included an exchange of gunfire. Nobody was injured in the chase or arrest.

# Depression Screening Is Successful Program Here

by Barbara Hopkins

National Depression Screening Day was held in Greenbelt on October 7 as the culmination of a four-month-long suicide prevention campaign to make residents more aware of suicide and depression, how to recognize symptoms and how to seek help. Community Crisis Services, Inc. partnered with the city in the campaign, which was overseen by Helen Barnes, RN-C from the Prince George’s County Department of Family Services.

Christal Batey, the city’s Senior Resource Advocate, appeared before the city council at its meeting on November 8 to summarize the program of information dissemination. Taking the program to Eleanor Roosevelt High School had been part of the original plan, according to Batey, but she explained that the timing had proven difficult because the program ran too close to the start of the school year. She expressed hopes that in the future the information could become part of the school’s health education curriculum.

Batey expressed appreciation for the participation of the Greenbelt Police Department, volunteers and staff as well as the county in putting on the program. After she reviewed the myriad ways and venues used to inform the citizens of Greenbelt about depression and suicide, Batey introduced Tim Jansen, executive director of Community Crisis Services, who summarized the success of the program.

Jansen said that on October 7 volunteer screening teams manned stations at three area grocery stores and at Green Ridge House. Access to a mental health professional was also available.

Team members spoke with 133 people ranging in age from 19 to 91 years, with an average age of 65. The target group for the program was older adults, although all ages were eligible to participate.

Of the 133 persons encountered, 43 were screened for depression, bipolar disease, generalized anxiety disorder and post-traumatic stress disorder. After the screening, follow-up was suggested for 22 people who were considered “very likely” afflicted with one of the maladies screened for in the program. Another 10 people were “likely” to be so affected, according to Jansen’s report.

Jansen said that aside from the screening results, the program was an unequivocal success because one person encountered had come to the store that day for the purpose of filling a prescription to use as a means of suicide. Through the assistance provided by the program participants, this person’s intentions were averted.

Mayor Judith Davis presented Jansen with a citation of public service for his role in the program. She said the city also has a citation for Barnes, who was not present.

## Diabetes Support Group Meets

Doctors Community Hospital hosts a free diabetes support group on November 16 at 7 p.m. in the Ambulatory Surgery Building in the 5th floor classroom. The speaker, Dr. Myron Murdock, will speak on “Answers about Sexual Dysfunction.” Call 301-552-5134 to register.

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As a part of the Drug Task Force he has statewide arrest authority involving drug cases.

According to Mesol's supervisor, Maryland State Police (MSP) Detective Sergeant Jerry Jones, during the past year Mesol, in concert with the other task force members initiated 228 investigations within a four-county area that resulted in 81 criminal arrests, the seizure of 360 pounds of marijuana and nearly 26 pounds of powder cocaine having a combined street value of nearly two million dollars. Seizures of cash, vehicles and property were valued at more than \$160,000. During the course of these investigations, nearly 50 firearms were seized from felony drug traffickers.

During the first nine months of 2004 alone, Mesol and his unit, through several investigations, have made 70 arrests, seized approximately 12,200 grams of marijuana and 2,200 grams of cocaine as well as large quantities of heroin and other controlled dangerous substances, while seizing more than \$75,000 in property assets.

Mesol's unfailing and unselfish efforts have been crucial to the success of the task force. He has developed a reputation for being a dependable, tenacious investigator who is always eager to help others. He was so well thought of by his task force supervisors that he was chosen to be an instructor at the State Police's "Top Gun" program that trains new narcotics investigators.

Mesol's personnel file contains 15 letters of appreciation, five letters of commendation, awards and notable events prior to his current

assignment.

He received a commendation from County Executive Jack Johnson, who was State's Attorney at the time, for his involvement in the investigation and successful prosecution of an individual now serving a life sentence for the kidnapping and murder of a Greenbelt woman. While with the U.S. Park Police he apprehended an individual who committed a felonious assault on one of their officers. He received a Departmental Life Saving Award for his valiant effort to save the life of a stabbing victim in 2001. Mesol received special recognition for spearheading development of the department's Bike Unit in 1995.

Most of the letters in Mesol's file were from everyday people he helped in various ways – people who had broken down, were locked out of their cars or who had been the unlucky victim of a crime. The real essence of Mesol's policing is taking care of quality of life issues. He has made the world a better place.

Firefighter of the Year

The 2004 Greenbelt Firefighter of the Year is Jay Remenick president of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad. Remenick joined the fire department on June 4, 1973. He has been a member of the department for over 31 years. He started to contribute immediately, becoming Fireman of the Year in 1974. As the years went by Remenick started advancing through the ranks. He first became a driver qualified on all of the apparatus. He has held every operational position up to and in-



Outstanding firefighter Jay Remenick, center, was honored by the city council. Councilmembers Edward Putens, Leta Mach, Mayor Judith Davis and Councilmembers Rodney Roberts and Konrad Herling.

cluding deputy chief.

In 1995 Remenick became involved with the administration of the department and was made its president. During his tenure as president he has brought the department out of debt, improved relations with the Greenbelt City Council and was instrumental in securing the department's Appara-

tus Replacement Fund from the City of Greenbelt. He spearheaded many in-house projects such as renovating the control room and the bunkroom and restoring the department's antique pumper, Greenbelt's first fire engine.

As president, he is responsible for presiding at all company meetings, handling all business

City Wins Coveted Financial Award

For the 20th consecutive year, the City of Greenbelt has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, the highest form of recognition awarded by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada. Additionally, City Treasurer Jeffrey L. Williams was awarded the Financial Reporting Achievement Award for having primary responsibility for preparing the winning report.

The city's comprehensive report was judged by an impartial panel as meeting high standards and demonstrating a constructive spirit of full disclosure in communicating its financial story.

correspondence and appointing all administrative committees as directed by its bylaws or that is necessary in the fulfillment of his duties.

It was for Remenick's participation, dedication and unselfish contributions that he was named Firefighter of the Year 2004.



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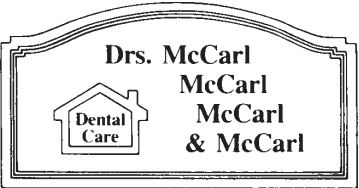


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A Review

Want Some Good Laughs?

Try GAC's "Godspell"

by Sabine Hentrich

“Godspell,” a musical by John-Michael Tebelak, is just about the opposite of Mel Gibson’s “The Passion of The Christ.” Similar to Gibson’s movie, “Godspell” covers the last few days of the life of Christ. That, however, is the only thing the two works have in common.

This popular musical opened in 1971 off-Broadway and made it to Broadway just five years later. Based on the Gospel according to St. Matthew, it relates Jesus’ lessons and teachings by combining many theater traditions, such as acrobatics and charades.

Directed by Jeffrey Lesniak for the Greenbelt Arts Center, Jesus’ “disciples” – hippies, cheerleaders, Pippi Longstocking, a biker . . . to mention only a few – follow their leader through song, dance and more, enlightening themselves and each other while entertaining the audience with this funny musical. The audience gets to enjoy, for example, Jesus’ baptism by John, who “waters” him down with a sponge and a cleaning bucket.

The entire cast did an admirable job of bringing this musical to life. Timbo Longio, in the lead as Jesus, was refreshing and well cast particularly because he does not look like most people’s vision of Him (think NOT James Caviezel). Longio played Jesus as an everyman who was yet wholly different from others. He sang with passion and humor, whichever was appropriate, and got many chuckles as a reward.

Bob Kleinberg as John the Baptist and Judas, whom we enjoyed at the Arts Center in “Private Lives” and other productions, worked well as almost the only adult alongside a mostly high-school-age cast. Marcus Brown, Robin Covington, Stephanie Danielson, Laura Mastroianni, BJ Mitchell, Melissa Mulumba, Courtney Reiter and Lauren Stephenson completed a fabulous ensemble of disciples who all knew how to act, sing, clown and dance.

Danielson, the Pippi impersonator, complete with long stockings, pig tails and freckles, had a par-



Stephanie Danielson, Melissa Mulumba, and B.J. Mitchell (on floor).

ticularly good night. She clowned and acted and fooled around just enough to greatly enhance the production and not enough to distract from her fellow actors or the musical itself.

Mitchell’s and Kleinberg’s pantomime act and voice covers for other actors during the “Prodigal Son” lesson and other scenes were also noteworthy.

It was obvious that the entire cast and crew worked together in bringing out the best of the show. Despite their brilliance, their most difficult job was convincing the audience that it was O.K. to laugh.

Friday night’s audience seemed to be so stunned about Tuesday’s election results that they might have thought it inappropriate to laugh at anything involving religion. The audience was possibly still so affected by America’s religious right that it took them a while to become amused by the frolicking of the players. Who knows? Whomever one voted for, this is not a musical audiences should take too seriously – or else one misses its humor.

Anyone, especially those of us needing relief from the depression that has taken hold over proud, blue Greenbelt, is invited to enjoy (and be not afraid to laugh at) Lesniak’s fabulous production of “Godspell” at the Greenbelt Arts Center on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. through November 20, with a Sunday matinee at 5 p.m. on November 14.

College Honors

For Greenbelters

The National Dean’s List for 2003-2004 has been published and includes a number of Greenbelters.

College students are selected for the National Dean’s List by their college deans, registrars or honor society advisors and must be in the upper 10 percent of their class, on their school’s dean’s list or have earned a comparable honor. Listed students are eligible to compete for \$50,000 in scholarship awards and may also use a referral service for future employment opportunities. More than 2,500 colleges and universities nationwide use the publication to recognize their academically qualified students. To learn more about the National Dean’s List go online and visit <http://www.thenationaldeanslist.com>.

Greenbelt residents selected include Michele Burton, Prince George’s Community College; Tanya Daniels, University of Baltimore; Zachary Glaser, University of Maryland College Park; Wendy Hagelgans, Howard Community College; Lena Hassen, Prince George’s Community College; Raquel B. Johnson, Delaware State University; Margaret Y. Kamara, Virginia State University; Teresa Kennedy, University of Maryland College Park; Hosung Kim, Prince George’s Community College; Elissa R. Levine, University of Maryland at Baltimore; Afshin Nabili, Prince George’s Community College; Joseph Nkwanyuo, Montgomery College at Rockville; Christine Nwosu, University of Maryland Eastern Shore; Nana O. Ofosu, Howard University; Tricia Rampe, University of Maryland College Park; Beth Shepherd, Prince George’s Community College; Elizabeth Shockley, Duke University; Tolulope Shoyemi, Salisbury University; Teremah Stevens, Oakwood College; Jessica Suagee, University of Maryland College Park; Blandine Tchanque, Tesst College of Technology; Shannon N. Todd, University of Maryland University College; Arlene Wangia, Montgomery College Takoma Park and Ying Zhang, University of Maryland College Park.

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Back left: Coach Oscar Grant, III, Jalen Grant, Tejan Rahim, Talbot Layne, Christopher Sherman, Antonio Zambrana, Isaac Adams, Retta Syssay and David Napierala. Front left: Pablo Ruiz, Amgad Kamil, Clark Reese, Jayla Opsahi, Alexandra Sherman, Kristin McAndrew, William Jefferson, IV, and Eric Johnson.

The Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club 7 and under AA soccer team, the Dragons, won their last two games. On Saturday, November 6, Greenbelt topped Beltsville 2 to 1 and on Sunday, November 7, Greenbelt triumphed over New Carrollton 4 to 0, thereby clinching the Prince George’s County Boys and Girls Club 7 and under AA fall soccer league championship. Pablo Ruiz kicked both Greenbelt goals against Beltsville and also scored one of the winning goals against New Carrollton. Teammates Amgad Kamil, William Jefferson, IV, and Clark Reese scored the other three goals for the Dragons against New Carrollton. The team, coached by Oscar Grant III, finished the fall season with 5 wins, 2 losses and 1 tie.

A Review

Organ/Flute Recital

Receives Standing Ovation

by Carol Griffith

On October 17 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Greenbelt Road, the very popular church organist and Director of Music Erik Meyer and his fiancée, Anna Wessler, an accomplished flutist, performed an organ and flute recital. The highlight of the performance was the five-movement piece Meyer wrote as a gift for Wessler.

The program included an organ piece by Johann Sebastian Bach, Toccata in F Major, in which a tornado is represented by long pedal solos; a flute and organ piece by Jehan Alain, which was traditional in sound though written in 1935; Sonata da Chiesa by Frank Martin featuring organ and flute; and a flute solo composed by Bach.

The recital concluded with Suite Modale, Meyer’s creation for organ and flute, which he describes as a “trio” – incorporating right and left hand organ keys and the flute. The first four movements are each based on a different baroque dance, with a final concluding movement. Although the piece was a Christmas gift to Wessler in 2003, it was not completed until February 2004. Wessler said she was “completely surprised” by the gift and that it was “fun to feel the piece evolve.”

Meyer and Wessler met while students in the masters program at the Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University. They will be married on November 13 in Newport News, Va., and will reside in Erie, Pa., where Meyer will be a cantor in a Lutheran church. He explained the term “cantor” as a revival of the meaning it held in the time of Bach: a “sacred role” in overseeing all of the music of the church.

Both Meyer and Wessler are talented and accomplished musicians. Meyer, from New Jersey, began studying piano at the age of five. After deciding on a profession in organ, he enrolled at



Anna Wessler and Erik Meyer joined forces to provide outstanding classic and original music.

Peabody, receiving a bachelor of music degree in 2002 and a master of music in organ performance in May 2004. He has won first prize in two of the several competitions he has entered.

Most notably, Meyer arranged, with two other Peabody students, a memorial concert to benefit the Red Cross after September 11, 2001. The only concert of its kind in Baltimore, the large orchestra and 60-voice chorus performed Mozart’s Requiem to a full church. Prior to coming to Greenbelt in 2002 for “room for expression,” he was the assistant chapel organist at the U.S. Naval Academy.

Wessler holds a bachelor of music degree in flute performance from the University of Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music and a master of music in flute performance from Peabody. She has studied in Zurich and has been a semi-finalist in several national competitions. In Erie, she plans to assist Meyer with music at the church where he will be cantor and substitute with the local philharmonic. Eventually she would like to open a studio for flute students.

Following the recital and a standing ovation, Pastor Stephen Mentz and his staff held a reception in the narthex of the church.

ACE MEETING

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The text of the agreement follows:

Section 11. A. “High school age children residing within the corporate boundaries of the City of Greenbelt, as those boundaries may be altered in accordance with State law, will be permitted to attend Eleanor Roosevelt High School; B. In the event that student population is reduced due to attendance boundary adjustments, any growth that causes the student population to exceed the State-rated capacity for Eleanor Roosevelt High School is accommodated by the construction of permanent facilities; (and) C. Special programs provided at Eleanor Roosevelt High School will be maintained in the event that student census at Eleanor Roosevelt High School is reduced and that

faculty assignment to Eleanor Roosevelt High School will be maintained until a student to teacher ratio of 25 to 1 is achieved.”

Greenbelt Middle School

The committee was shocked to hear that the Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) renovation has been pushed back yet again. Some piecemeal work has been accomplished; much of the school now has air conditioning and the roof is to be fixed. But the school, which remains one of the oldest in the county, has been on the list for renovations or replacement for years. The fact that part of the original school building is designated as historic is also an issue.

ACE members voted to recommend that the Greenbelt City

Council send a letter asking for a reason for the delay and expressing their disapproval that once again the “dilapidated building’s renovation” is delayed.

Tutoring program

ACE member Eva Griffin reported that after a slow start followed by much advertising, the reading tutoring program has 12 registered participants for training. The city has re-hired Martha Loutsch to help coordinate the program. They will be contacting the schools and will also have the fliers translated into Spanish by Mrs. Trajillo at Springhill Lake Elementary School. Each school will be asked to select one student who can most benefit from having a tutor.